of 40,000 rough pattas issued, objection-petitions had to be presented on nearly 20,000 and, of these, as many as 10,000 had to be set right by the Additional Assistants. In consideration of the difficulty, trouble and loss to which the people of the taluk were subjected on this account, the member urged that a commissioner with full powers might be appointed for a period of two months to rectify mistakes and afford all possible relief to the ryots.

Reply.—All representations on this subject should in the first instance be presented at the spot to the officers concerned. When the opportunity for getting mistakes rectified presented itself, it ought to have been availed of by the people. However, the Settlement Peishkar who has been listening to your complaints will try to rectify any specific mistakes or irregularities that may be brought to his notice if the rules of the department will admit of the same.

269. Opening a hospital in the centre of the maritime district between Colachel and Manakkudy.

Mr. Ponnaiah Nadar of Eraniel (Nominated) in whose name this subject stood was absent.

Reply.—This is not necessary. In times of epidemics, a special officer is detailed for duty in the area referred to.

The Assembly dissolved at 5. 15 P. M. to 12 noon on Friday the 11th January 1907.

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